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## ABSTRACT

This booklet is a guide for teachers wishing to develop their own teacher evaluation questionnaire to be filled out by students. The first part contains an outline for constructing the questionnaire and giving directions to students. The second part contains illustrative questions under the topics of: general evaluation of the course; course purposes and goals; course content and resources; course organization and methods; teacher knowledge of subject matter; teacher personality; human relations in the classroom; encouragement of thinking; assignments; testing, evaluating, marking; and the amount of time and work on a course. The questions under each topic are divided into three categories: open-ended; check-list; and rating scale. It is suggested that the teacher select questions from the topics and categories he prefers, and that he then use the outline to set up his own questionnaire. The booklet also includes a five-page annotated bibliography on different theories and methods of teacher evaluation. (RT)

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TEACHER SELF-EVALUATIVE INSTRUMENTS

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## PREFACE

The results of a recent questionnaire survey of more than 1200 college teachers indicated considerable interest in trying out evaluative questionnaires or check lists to be filled out by their students.<sup>1</sup> The survey also revealed that many instructors interested in such self-evaluation are unable to locate questionnaires or items appropriate to their individual needs.

The 291 items in this report are offered to meet the varied needs of teachers with differing course objectives, content, and teaching procedures.<sup>2</sup> Certainly no one instructor will want to use more than a limited number of the items.

The presentation in "cafeteria style" of this large number and great variety of evaluative items is based on the assumption that it is generally desirable to provide the instructor with raw material to consider against the background of his own teaching goals and procedures. He then can fashion his own evaluative questionnaire or tool, selecting some items from this publication, modifying others, and developing or creating additional items. In selecting desirable items, the instructor should depend upon his purposes in gathering reactions from his students. The reader will note that there is a choice of items designed to assess reactions on the same factor. If the teacher desires to compare his teaching goals or procedures with those of other instructors, then he should select or formulate items geared to this purpose. On the other hand, if the instructor is primarily interested in identifying specific areas where students see weaknesses in his course or his teaching, then items should be included which help achieve this goal. New data can be compared with that kept on file from earlier classes. Differences can give clues to improvements needed or accomplished.

In some institutions the faculty or departments of the institution may wish to formulate and use questionnaires employing items from this publication as source material. The grouping of items under Chapter Two in the Table of Contents can aid the instructor in locating items in those areas with which he is concerned. For example, if he wants to obtain student reactions to his assignments he will note in the Table of Contents under IX (Assignments) that items numbered 202 to 205 are open-ended ones related to assignments; items 206-225 are check-list ones; and items 226-230 suggest rating scales. In developing and selecting items and in formulating a questionnaire, the instructor should probably keep these questions in mind:

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(a) What do I think is important to improve in my teaching? (b) In what areas do I believe existing departmental or other restrictions will permit me to change? (c) In what areas am I willing to change?

There is the implicit assumption here that continuous feedback from learners on their course experiences may cause the instructor to re-examine and revise his teaching goals and procedures. There is some evidence that this may result in improved instruction.

The writers believe that instructors can learn much by sharing their experiences in using student evaluation of teaching and learning. The sharing of items and results with a colleague may be useful. It is also suggested that not only are classroom visitations and discussions with colleagues profitable but also that more publications describing feedback experiences and findings would be valuable.

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## Chapter One

### HOW THE INSTRUCTOR CAN DEVELOP HIS OWN EVALUATIVE TOOL

The material in this bulletin is arranged so that the instructor can set up and develop his own evaluative tool. First the instructor may wish to consider what information about the students and class is pertinent and desired. Then he can decide on the areas about which he would like to get student reactions. After the areas have been selected he next decides on the form or forms of the questions. And finally he selects from Chapter Two the specific items that most nearly relate to his teaching goals and procedures, modifies other items, and prepares new items.

For example, the areas about which information might be solicited by a particular instructor may be: (a) course purposes and goals (Area II), (b) teacher personality as seen by the students (Area VI), and (c) student reactions to assignments (Area IX). The instructor may decide to use some open-ended questions and some check-list items. He then sets up his own custom-tailored evaluative tool to get the reactions from his students.

The following framework might be used by the instructor in building his own student-evaluation of class and of instructor:

- I. Identifying Data. Suggestions can be found below.
- II. General Directions to Students. Suggestions on pages 2-3.
- III. Specific Directions for:
  - A. Open-ended items. Suggestions on pages 3-4.
  - B. Check-list items. Suggestions on pages 4-5.
  - C. Rating-scale items. Suggestions on pages 5-7.
- IV. Ranking and Forced-Choice Approaches to Student Evaluation of Teaching and Learning. Suggestions on pages 7-10.  
\* \* \* \* \*
- I. Identifying Data. (The instructor may choose items relevant to his course and to his purposes in teaching the course.)

Date _____	Course number _____
Course title _____	Class _____
Major of student _____	Year in school _____
Instructor's name _____	Sex of student _____
	Age (nearest birthday) _____

Why are you taking this course?  
(Check items that apply.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ It is required.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ Required but I would have taken it anyway.
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ If not required I would not have taken it.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Chosen from a group of courses, several of which are required.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ It is an elective course.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Popularity of the instructor.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A "snap" course.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ It was suggested by: (underline which) advisor, friend,  
parent, \_\_\_\_\_  
other (write in) \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Other reasons for taking this course: (please specify)  
\_\_\_\_\_

II. General Directions to Students. (The instructor may wish to select from among the following sample directions, modify them, and add to them.)

A. Illustrative directions related to purpose of questionnaire

1. The primary purpose of asking you to give your opinions on the following questions is to improve the course.
2. This questionnaire is designed to get your judgments on the value of this course. These will be used to assist the instructor in making the course more beneficial.
3. Your teacher has requested that you be asked to answer this questionnaire. The completed questionnaires or the results will be given to the instructor for his use. (Note: Appropriate when the form is distributed by an administrator or supervisor.)
4. The purpose of this questionnaire is to help your instructor discover his strong and weak points.
5. This questionnaire is designed to give your teacher a better understanding of the areas in this course that need strengthening.



B. Illustrative directions related to ways in which to respond to questions

1. The teacher would appreciate your frank opinion of the work in this course.
2. It is requested that you do not put your name on this paper or make any other marks on the paper that could identify you.
3. By giving thoughtful responses you can help the instructor evaluate his teaching effectiveness.
4. You may wish to print your answers rather than write them out.
5. Please comment freely on any points which you feel will clarify your answers. Teachers frequently find such comments extremely valuable.

C. Illustrative directions related to the disposition of questionnaires

1. Please be completely frank in answering this questionnaire. Your answers will be seen only by your instructor; they will not be seen by other teachers or administrators.
2. A group or committee of students will collect your papers (questionnaires) and hold them until your marks are in. (Note: This would apply to end-of-semester evaluation.)
3. Your comments will be considered confidential. You are asked to sign your evaluation (on the cover sheet which will be detached later), but your name will not be used in any report of results to the instructor or any one else. (Note: Useful when questionnaire is given by administrator or supervisor.)

III. Specific Directions and Examples for: A. Open-ended items, B. Check-list items, and C. Rating-scale items.

A. Directions and examples for open-ended items. (For use with all "A" items listed under Areas I through XI of Chapter Two.)

Please give your frank opinion on each of the following questions.

Examples A<sub>1</sub>

What were your most stimulating and challenging experiences in this course?

What were your least stimulating and challenging experiences in this course?

What specific things do you believe might be done to improve this course?

Example A<sub>2</sub>

Indicate the strengths and weaknesses of each of the following as used in this course: text(s), lectures, discussions, small group sessions, films, speakers, fieldtrips, library materials, assignments, grades, examinations. (The teacher will, of course, select only those which apply.)

Example A<sub>3</sub>

The words and phrases below relate to this class. After each write your feelings or reactions. Each student sees his class differently, and I am interested in your reactions to this class. Will you please express how you feel, frankly and completely.

The way this class is being taught:

The assignments:

Other persons in the class:

I, as a member of this class:

What I have learned in this course:

Our class discussions:

The organization of this course:

The books we are using:

The content of this course:

The teacher's feelings about me:

(Note: The instructor may wish to leave more space between items than has been left above.)

- B. Directions and examples for check-list items. (For use with all "B" items listed under Areas I through XI of Chapter Two.)

Check as many of the following items as apply. You may wish to jot down the reasons for your checks right after some of the statements.

Example B<sub>1</sub>

Assignments (in general):

\_\_\_\_ Challenging to student.

\_\_\_\_ Encourage wide range of voluntary reading.

\_\_\_\_ Too long                  \_\_\_\_ Too difficult                  \_\_\_\_ Not clear

\_\_\_\_ Too short                  \_\_\_\_ Too easy                  \_\_\_\_ Clear

Comments: Feel free to add other comments about the assignments.

Example B<sub>2</sub>

There follows a list of adjectives. Put a circle around each one that you believe describes the instructor of this course. Leave unmarked any which do not apply.

adaptable	fair-minded	quarrelsome
bitter	foolish	resentful
boastful	frank	resourceful
bossy	friendly	selfish
calm	hostile	snobbish
capable	immature	sociable
cheerful	industrious	superstitious
clear-thinking	inspiring	suspicious
complaining	intelligent	sympathetic
conscientious	intolerant	tactless
considerate	kind	understanding
cooperative	mature	unintelligent
demanding	modest	unkind
dependable	noisy	unstable
depressing	practical	warm
egotistical	prejudiced	weak
evasive	progressive	witty

C. Directions and examples for rating-scale items. (For use with all "C" items under Areas I through XI in Chapter Two.)

Indicate your response by checking in the appropriate place on each of the following items.

Example C<sub>1</sub>

On the scale below check the point on the line which best describes the course or the instructor. Use the space below to write any comments you may wish to make.

Instructor's knowledge of subject:

1	2	3	4	5
Poorly informed		Moderately well informed		Extremely well informed

Comments:

(Note 1: This can also be made into a 3, 7, 9 or some other point scale.)

(Note 2: The sample scale has three statements. Fewer or more statements can be used.)

(Note 3: The instructor may wish to place some of the favorable ends of the scales on the left side of the page.)

(Note 4: The format C<sub>2</sub> below can also be used.)

Example C<sub>2</sub>

Check the answer that seems most accurate to you.

Instructor's attitude toward student thinking:

\_\_\_\_ Strongly encourages expression of student viewpoint.

\_\_\_\_ Usually permits student expression of opinion.

\_\_\_\_ Allows little student expression.

\_\_\_\_ Allows no expression of student viewpoint.

Example C<sub>3</sub>

The words below might describe a person such as your instructor. Please put an X at some position on the scale between each pair of words to show your feelings or reactions. If neither word is appropriate to describe your instructor, mark N in the middle of the scale. Please express your feelings candidly.

My instructor \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of instructor

Mark N if it does not apply

Friendly	_____	_____	Unfriendly
Fair	_____	_____	Unfair

(The paired terms below can be placed on same type of scale as those above.)

Active - - - - -	Passive	Sad - - - - -	Happy
Weak - - - - -	Strong	Aloof - - - - -	Sociable
Successful - - - - -	Unsuccessful	Hard - - - - -	Soft
Predictable - - - - -	Unpredictable	Foolish - - - - -	Wise
Serious - - - - -	Humorous	Relaxed - - - - -	Tense
Excitable - - - - -	Calm	Slow - - - - -	Fast
Sick - - - - -	Healthy	Intelligent - - - - -	Ignorant
Warm - - - - -	Cold	Good - - - - -	Bad
Stimulating - - - - -	Dull	Encouraging - - - - -	Nagging
Communicative - - - - -	Uncommunicative	Sincere - - - - -	Insincere
Enthusiastic - - - - -	Unenthusiastic	Rigid - - - - -	Flexible
Patient - - - - -	Impatient	Even-tempered - - - - -	Bad-tempered
Efficient - - - - -	Inefficient	Thoughtless - - - - -	Thoughtful

#### IV. Ranking and Forced-Choice Approaches to Student Evaluation of Teaching and Learning

In addition to the open-ended questions, check-list items, and ranking-scales which will be illustrated in Chapter Two, there are other ways the teacher can obtain evaluative comments from students. Three of these approaches are illustrated below: A. Ranking courses, B. Ranking of course experiences, and C. Forced-choice method.

##### A. Framework for Ranking Courses

1. List the courses you are now taking. Rank them in terms of estimated value to you. Put a "1" after the most valuable course, a "2" after the next most valuable course, and so on till you have ranked all your courses including the one you are taking with me. (Note that these directions could easily be modified to provide for the ranking of courses in English, mathematics, graduate courses, etc.)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

2. a. Describe your reason(s) for selecting the first course as the most valuable.

- b. Give reason(s) for designating the least valuable course.

##### B. Illustrative Framework for Ranking Course Experiences

Below is a list of some of the experiences you have had in this course. Rank them in order of the importance you think they have had or will probably have on your attitudes and behavior.

Put a "1" in front of the most important experience, a "2" in front of the next most important experience, and so on.

\_\_\_\_ Working on individualized assignments

\_\_\_\_ Role playing

\_\_\_\_ Using of multiple texts

\_\_\_\_ Working in small groups in class

\_\_\_\_ Listening to full period lectures

\_\_\_\_ Participating in full period discussions

\_\_\_\_ Writing anecdotal records

\_\_\_\_  
(Other: write in)

\_\_\_\_  
(Other: write in)

### C. Framework for Forced-Choice Method

1. In each group, rank the statements as you believe they apply to your instructor. Give a rank of "1" to the phrase which most applies, a rank of "2" to the phrase which next most applies, and so on:

\_\_\_\_ Plans the content of the course with students.

\_\_\_\_ Instructor's examinations require thought and application of ideas.

\_\_\_\_ Fair in dealing with students.

\_\_\_\_ Enthusiastic about the subject.

2. Check the two statements in each group which are most descriptive of the instructor.

#### Example A:

\_\_\_\_ 1. Patient with slow learners.

\_\_\_\_ 2. Aims of lessons clearly presented.

\_\_\_\_ 3. Keeps interest and attention of class.

\_\_\_\_ 4. At ease before class.



Example B:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Well informed in related fields.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Encourages critical thinking.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Understands problems of students.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Grades tests fairly.

Example C:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Knows his subject extremely well.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Encourages students in critical thinking.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Lectures clearly.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Assignments are challenging.

3. In each group check one statement which is most descriptive and the one which is least descriptive of the instructor.

Example A:

Most      Least

- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Fine personal bearing.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Adapts readily to new ideas.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Is well qualified in subject matter.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Puts class at ease.

Example B:

Most      Least

- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Gives me practice in intellectual activities I am likely to use outside of school.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Seems interested in my welfare as a learner.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Leads discussions in an interesting and intellectually stimulating fashion.
- \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Seems to have other concerns more important than his teaching.

Example C:

Most      Least

- |       |       |   |
|-------|-------|---|
| _____ | _____ | 1. Openmindedness in accepting student responses. |
| _____ | _____ | 2. Poses significant questions.                   |
| _____ | _____ | 3. Good sense of humor.                           |
| _____ | _____ | 4. Friendly attitude toward students.             |

(Note 1: In Chapter Two, Area VI, Teacher Personality, the instructor can find other items which he might wish to use in the forced-choice type of items illustrated above.)

## Chapter Two

### ILLUSTRATIVE EVALUATION ITEMS IN THREE FORMS

(A. OPEN-ENDED, B. CHECK LIST, C. RATING SCALE)

#### I. General Evaluation of the Course

##### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

1. What were your most stimulating and challenging experiences in this course?
2. What were the least worthwhile experiences you have had in this course?
3. This course would have been more valuable to me if:
4. What would you say to a friend who asks you about taking a course with this teacher?
5. What do you regard as the course's major strengths?
6. What do you regard as the course's major weaknesses?
7. How can the course weaknesses be diminished?
8. I would suggest strongly that the following be retained when the course is given again:
9. What aspects of the course did you like particularly?
10. What do you consider to be one or more best features of this course?
11. What are the one or more least satisfactory features of the course?
12. How would you estimate the long-time usefulness of this course for you? Mention any strengths or weaknesses related to content, teaching approach, outside assignments, practical value, resources, instructor. Feel free to comment upon any other aspects of the course not included above.
13. How would you rate this course in comparison to your other courses? Why?
14. How well are you satisfied with your own efforts in this course?

15. What suggestions do you have for improving this course?
16. What did you find of most value in the course?
17. What did you find least valuable to you in the course?
18. What did the teacher fail to do that you felt would have been beneficial to you?
19. On which aspects or parts of the course do you have the most favorable opinion? Least favorable?
20. Are there any specific factors or problems that contribute to the success or lack of success of this course? Specifics making for success: Specifics making for lack of success:

B. Check-List Illustrations

21. \_\_\_\_ I am profiting much from this class.
22. \_\_\_\_ This course is helping me to answer some questions that I have had for a long time.
23. \_\_\_\_ This course is interesting and rewarding.
24. \_\_\_\_ The class stimulates me to explore further aspects of the subject matter.
25. \_\_\_\_ This course is too general.
26. \_\_\_\_ This course puts too much emphasis on details.
27. \_\_\_\_ This course is challenging to me.
28. \_\_\_\_ This course encourages me to learn on my own initiative.
29. \_\_\_\_ This course fails to interest or challenge me.

C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

30. How do you like this course as compared with other courses you have had, including those you are now taking?  

one of the best	below average
above average	one of the poorest
31. How would you describe the attitudes of the class toward this course?  

very favorable	slightly unfavorable
fairly favorable	highly unfavorable
average	



## II. Course Purposes and Goals

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

40. To what extent do you understand the purposes and goals of the course? As you consider the course, what do you think they are?
41. What should the teacher do to make the goals of the course clearer and more understandable?
42. Are the purposes and goals of this course being attained? In what ways?
43. Do you feel that the goals of this course have practical applications for you? Please explain.

### B. Check-List Illustrations

44. Purposes of course reasonably clear.
45. Students helped to set goals.
46. Teacher tried to dictate goals without student help.
47. Teacher concerned with long-time values of course to student.

### C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

48. Course objectives?  
clear and understandable  
vague at times  
difficult to determine
49. How much class time did the teacher and students spend in developing the goals, objectives, and purposes of this course?  
does not apply  
teacher determined course objectives, course goals and purposes  
not mentioned  
too little time  
about the right amount  
too much

## III. Course Content and Resources

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

50. Comment on each of the following resources used in this course: text(s), films or other audio-visual devices, speakers, student panels, library materials, field trips. Please give reasons for your reactions.



51. In general, what did you like and what did you dislike about the textbook(s)?
52. Give the numbers of the one, two, or three chapters of the text(s) which you found most interesting. Please give reasons.
53. Give the numbers of the one, two, or three chapter's in the text(s) which you found least interesting. Please give reasons.
54. To improve the course, what additional materials or other resources would you suggest?
55. What suggestions do you have for additions or improvements in the bibliography (references) used in the course?
56. To what extent have the outside readings in the course been useful to you?
57. To improve the course, what changes in its content would you suggest?
58. How do you feel about the readability for you of the textbook in this course?

**B. Check-List Illustrations**

59. Good use made of resources: (Check those that apply)  
☐ libraries, ☐ outside speakers, ☐ students, ☐ films,  
☐ field trips, ☐ other instructors.
60. Course content: (Check as many as apply) ☐ related to other areas of knowledge, ☐ challenging, ☐ related to students' interests, ☐ obvious, ☐ thought provoking.
61. Textbook(s): ☐ readable, ☐ interesting, ☐ well organized,  
☐ too difficult, ☐ too much reliance on, ☐ too elementary.
62. This course provided too much coverage of materials already well known to me. ☐

**C. Rating-Scale Illustrations**

63. The course content has been:
 

very valuable	of little value
somewhat valuable	of no value
64. In relation to my textbooks in other courses this semester, the textbook(s) in this course is (are):
 

very difficult	easy
difficult	very easy
average in difficulty	

65. How valuable and "meaty" is the content of the course?  
 everything is valuable      course is often thin in content  
 much is valuable      course contains very little of  
 fair amount is valuable      value
66. The content of this course is:  
 mostly new to me      very little new  
 partly new

#### IV. Course Organization and Methods

##### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

67. How can the teacher improve in his methods of teaching?
68. What did you like about the instructor's way of teaching?
69. What did you not like about the instructor's method of teaching?
70. What parts of the course do you think have been well taught?  
 Poorly taught?
71. How would you evaluate the class lectures?
72. How would you evaluate the class discussions?
73. What would you say are the greatest general advantages and disadvantages of the teaching procedures used in this course?

Advantages	Disadvantages

##### B. Check-List Illustrations

74. Course well organized by teacher alone
75. Course well organized by teacher and students
76. Course poorly organized by teacher and students
77. Course poorly organized by teacher alone
78. Lectures generally profitable
79. Group discussions generally profitable
80. Not enough class discussion
81. Too much class discussion
82. Atmosphere too formal
83. Atmosphere too informal

- 84. The course impressed me as being up to date
- 85. The course is out of date
- 86. Teacher provides ample opportunity for discussion
- 87. Teacher clarifies issues
- 88. Too much time used by a few students
- 89. Teacher encourages all to participate in discussions
- 90. Teacher gives students many chances to make decisions concerning work of the class
- 91. Teacher maintains good balance between pupil and teacher participation
- 92. Teacher makes visible effort to improve teaching-learning situation
- 93. Teacher criticizes constructively
- 94. Course seems to give appropriate weight to various subjects

#### C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

- 95. How well does the instructor assist students in knowing why they are learning certain things?  
 among the best instructors I have had in this respect  
 better than most instructors  
 about average in this respect  
 below average (not as good as most instructors)  
 among the poorest instructors I have had
- 96. How much opportunity did you have in class sessions to express your own opinion and ideas?  
 as much as I wanted or was able to use  
 more than in the average class  
 as much as in the average class  
 less than in the average class  
 practically none
- 97. How much opportunity did you have in class sessions to develop skill in working with others?  
 all I could possibly use                      very little  
 more than an average amount              none  
 an average amount



## V. Teacher Knowledge of Subject Matter

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

105. In comparing this teacher with the teachers you are now having:
  - a. To what extent would you say he knows the subject matter of course?
  - b. How extensive would you say his cultural background is?
106. The instructor's knowledge was best illustrated in which part(s) of the course?
107. In which area(s) do you feel the instructor's knowledge is weak?
108. The teacher seems to have much information on:
109. The teacher seems to know little about:

### B. Check-List Illustration

110. Instructor: \_\_\_\_ sticks close to book, \_\_\_\_ has to look at text-book to answer questions raised by students, \_\_\_\_ often says: "look it up yourself," \_\_\_\_ rarely makes suggestions about where to get additional information on subject, \_\_\_\_ suggests many new and stimulating ideas about subject studied, \_\_\_\_ gives complete, adequate, and satisfying answers to questions, \_\_\_\_ shows evidence of broad cultural background, \_\_\_\_ fails to enrich discussions with illustrations from related areas, \_\_\_\_ knows subject matter, but has strong prejudices in favor of some aspects, \_\_\_\_ appears to have serious gaps in his knowledge of subject matter in course area, \_\_\_\_ tries to bluff when he doesn't know the facts, \_\_\_\_ knows the field well enough but frequently goes off on tangents.

### C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

111. To what extent does the work of the instructor impress you as indicating mastery in the field of this course?

very markedly	little
markedly	very little
average	
112. Instructor's preparation for class session:

frequently forgets teaching materials; obviously unprepared
apparently does a minimum of preparation
well prepared
outstanding

113. Instructor's knowledge of subject:  
 seems to know the subject extremely well  
 knows the subject well  
 seems moderately well-informed  
 appears to be poorly informed
114. How much evidence is there that the instructor has broad experience in his field aside from book knowledge?  
 frequent evidence                      a little evidence  
 fair amount of evidence              no evidence

## VI. Teacher Personality

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

115. What traits of the teacher would you particularly like to have as your own?
116. Considering the teacher as a person, as well as a teacher, what changes would you recommend that he make in his personal behavior, his traits, his mannerisms, his approach to students?
117. Does the teacher have any annoying habits, either of speech or action, that you wish he would break? If so, please name them.
118. What is there about this instructor that you especially like or dislike? List his good points and poor points.
- | Good | Poor |
|------|------|
| 1.   | 1.   |
| 2.   | 2.   |
| 3.   | 3.   |
| 4.   | 4.   |
| 5.   | 5.   |

### B. Check-List Illustrations

119. Enthusiastic about subject
120. Attitudes toward students: (Check those which apply)  
 \_\_\_accepting, \_\_\_nonaccepting, \_\_\_intolerant, \_\_\_tolerant,  
 \_\_\_pleasant, \_\_\_unpleasant, \_\_\_shows favoritism, \_\_\_shows  
 no favoritism, \_\_\_disregards ideas of individuals, \_\_\_accepts  
 ideas of individuals, \_\_\_disregards feelings of individuals,  
 \_\_\_is sensitive to feelings of individuals, \_\_\_autocratic,  
 \_\_\_democratic, \_\_\_sarcastic, \_\_\_kindly in comments,  
 \_\_\_impatient, \_\_\_patient, \_\_\_discourteous, \_\_\_courteous,  
 \_\_\_friendly, \_\_\_unfriendly, \_\_\_consistent, \_\_\_inconsistent,  
 \_\_\_hurried in class activities, \_\_\_at ease at all times,  
 \_\_\_unruffled by problems developing in the classroom,  
 \_\_\_frequently depressed, \_\_\_cheerful, \_\_\_monotonous,  
 \_\_\_dynamic.



121. Fails to command the respect of the class
122. Listless
123. Antagonizes students
124. Energetic and forceful
125. Ill-mannered
126. Displays sympathy and understanding
127. Fair in dealing with students
128. Fails to admit the limitations of his knowledge
129. Expression is crude
130. Avoids difficult questions which students bring up in classes
131. Teacher speaks: \_\_\_\_\_too slowly, \_\_\_\_\_too loudly, \_\_\_\_\_too softly,  
\_\_\_\_\_too rapidly, \_\_\_\_\_too much about himself, \_\_\_\_\_in a mono-  
tone, \_\_\_\_\_in a pleasing and well-modulated voice.
132. Makes fun of students
133. Is too petty and unnecessarily critical
134. Refuses to admit error after making a mistake or a misstate-  
ment
135. Shows definite relief when the class period is over
136. Unwilling to give individual help outside of class
137. Appears bored and shows little interest in teaching
138. Has poor sense of humor
139. Has good sense of humor
140. Has an irritating mannerism(s) or gesture(s). Please list
141. Uses certain expressions too often
142. Boastful
143. Understands student needs and problems
144. Interested in student views

145. Treats students in a way their maturity warrants

146. Takes constructive criticism easily

C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

147. Instructor as a "human being":  
attractive personality, would like to know him  
satisfactory personality  
rather unattractive personality  
not the kind of person you would like to know

148. Attitude toward student effort:  
exceptionally appreciative of student effort  
encourages effort  
occasionally recognizes effort  
indifferent to effort  
discourages

149. Instructor's attitude:  
discourages and depresses me  
contributes little to my development  
stimulates me to improve  
serves as a real inspiration to achievement

150. Range of interests and culture:  
instructor has very broad interests and culture; frequently  
relates course to other fields and to present-day problems

instructor has fair breadth of interests and culture; occasionally relates subject to other fields and to present-day problems

instructor is narrow in his interests and culture; seldom relates subject to other fields or to present-day problems

151. When there are conflicting theories in a field, it is desirable for an instructor to present all sides of the point in question. From this standpoint the instructor may be said to be:  
almost always intolerant of any point of view but his own  
sometimes open-minded, sometimes intolerant  
usually open-minded, rarely intolerant  
almost always open-minded

152. Tolerance:  
welcomes differences of opinion  
somewhat impatient when students oppose his views  
easily aroused to temper by opposition

153. Tolerance:  
recognizes and upholds right of student to have and express  
differences of opinion  
tolerates but does not welcome opposing student opinions  
intolerant of student opinion
154. Ability to express thought:  
words come easily, meaning always clear  
some hesitation for words, meaning sometimes not clear  
much hesitation for words, meaning often not clear
155. Interest and enthusiasm of instructor:  
very enthusiastic and interested  
seems only mildly interested  
course seems irksome to him
156. Self-confidence:  
sure of himself; meets difficulties with poise  
fairly self-confident; occasionally disconcerted  
hesitant, uncertain
157. Mannerisms:  
no mannerisms which distract or annoy  
occasional mannerisms which distract but which do not annoy  
mannerisms which annoy
158. Sense of humor:  
has keen sense of humor  
humor occasionally but not often exhibited  
shows little or no humor
159. Attitude toward students:  
sympathetic, helpful, actively concerned  
moderately sympathetic  
routine in attitude--avoids individual contact  
distant, aloof, cold
160. Instructor's willingness to help students:  
always willing to help  
usually willing to help  
unwilling to help
161. The teacher:  
welcomes conferences and exerts himself to be understand-  
ing and helpful  
tolerates conferences and is sometimes helpful to student  
seems to be too busy to afford much time or thought to the  
student's problems

162. Open-mindedness of teacher:
  - welcomes differences of viewpoint
  - tolerant
  - does not encourage differences of opinion
  - dogmatic, does not accept contradiction of his viewpoint
163. Attitude toward teaching:
  - seems to be enthusiastic about teaching
  - sometimes enthusiastic; sometimes not enthusiastic
  - seems indifferent
  - does not seem to enjoy teaching
164. Instructor's prejudices and biases:
  - does not seem to have personal convictions
  - has personal convictions but tries to present both sides of the story
  - has strong personal convictions and attempts to produce students who will share his point of view to the exclusion of all others
165. Personal appearance:
  - is always neatly dressed
  - usually is neatly dressed
  - often untidy
  - slovenly and haphazard
166. Voice:
  - voice audible
  - voice somewhat disquieting
  - voice distractive
  - voice scarcely audible

## VII. Human Relations in the Classroom

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

167. Why is your relationship with the instructor better or worse than with other instructors?
168. What is the general "climate" of the classroom (e.g., relaxed, tense, warm, cold, friendly, hostile, etc.)?
169. How do you find the relations between teacher and pupils in this course as compared with other courses you are now taking?
170. How do you find the relations between students in this course as compared with other courses you are now taking?

## B. Check-List Illustrations

171. Students: (Check those which apply)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ enter freely into activities, \_\_\_\_\_ appear relaxed, \_\_\_\_\_ are  
 orderly without specific directions from the teacher, \_\_\_\_\_ are  
 noisy, disturbing, \_\_\_\_\_ work concentratedly, \_\_\_\_\_ are restless,  
 \_\_\_\_\_ participate half-heartedly, \_\_\_\_\_ are rude to teacher and/or  
 each other.

- 172. Students feel free to discuss various aspects of the course with the teacher.
- 173. Teacher seldom available for conference with student.
- 174. Students feel free to discuss personal problems with teacher.
- 175. Teacher encourages free expression of ideas.
- 176. Teacher provides students with many opportunities to make decisions.

#### C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

- 177. What is the feeling between the instructor and the students?  
 excellent mutual understanding and good will  
 better human relations than in most classes  
 about average  
 not as good rapport as in most classes  
 little mutual understanding, poor human relations
- 178. Instructor's attitude toward students:  
 always courteous and considerate  
 usually courteous and considerate  
 unsympathetic and inconsiderate  
 arouses antagonism of students
- 179. Instructor's fairness:  
 absolutely fair and impartial to all  
 usually fair  
 has some favorites in class  
 constantly shows partiality
- 180. If I have a problem relating to the course, my instructor:  
 seems definitely annoyed when I wish to discuss it with him  
 discusses it with me, but acts as though I am bothering him  
 seems willing to discuss it with me  
 generally acts as though he wants me to discuss it with him  
 definitely encourages my discussing such problems with him
- 181. Class decisions:  
 meets difficult situations with poise and confidence  
 occasionally loses poise  
 frequently loses control
- 182. Class atmosphere:  
 too formal and uncomfortable  
 formal but not strained  
 warm, democratic; class and instructor work together

183. Student-instructor planning:  
 instructor encourages student participation in planning and  
 organizaing class objectives and activities  
  
 instructor allows students' suggestions and criticisms to  
 influence his plans for class objectives and activities  
  
 planning is chiefly by instructor; instructor is indifferent  
 to students' criticisms and suggestions  
  
 planning is by instructor, and student participation is dis-  
 couraged
184. The group methods used have been:  
 very valuable                      of little value  
 somewhat valuable                of no value

#### VIII. Encouragement of Thinking

##### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

185. Are you doing more reading, work, or research on your own  
 as a result of taking this course?
186. In comparison to other courses you are taking, to what extent  
 has this course made you think?
187. How can the instructor foster student thinking?

##### B. Check-List Illustrations

188. Helps students develop critical attitudes
189. Helps students develop scientific attitudes
190. Encourages students to think
191. Dogmatic, intolerant of disagreement
192. Encourages and values disagreement
193. Encourages students to search for disagreement

##### C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

194. To what extent has this course encouraged you to think?  
 very much                      little  
 much                                very little



195. Do the instructor and the course stimulate independent thinking?  
 to an unusual degree                      little  
 much    encourages rote memory  
 moderately                                      work only
196. Instructor stimulates thinking:  
 frequently                                      infrequently  
 occasionally
197. Instructor's respect for student thinking:  
 ideas of students not welcomed  
 ideas of students accepted but not encouraged  
 free expression of ideas encouraged
198. The stimulation of free and critical thinking:  
 student is stimulated to do free and independent thinking  
 some opportunity for free and independent thinking  
 free and independent thinking is not a conscious part of the  
       course  
 discourages free and independent thinking  
 student feels he will be penalized for free and independent  
       thinking
199. Instructor's attitude toward student thought:  
 encourages expression of student viewpoint  
 welcomes differences in viewpoint  
 tries to be unbiased  
 makes a one-sided approach to topics  
 extremely biased, allows no points of view different from  
       his to be expressed
200. Instructor's stimulation of intellectual curiosity:  
 inspires students to seek more knowledge on subject  
 maintains students' interest in subject  
 occasionally interesting  
 often dull  
 destroys interest in subject
201. Abundance of novel and stimulating ideas and viewpoints:  
 occasionally new and stimulating ideas  
 hardly any new and stimulating ideas developed  
 bland and routine class activities

## IX. Assignments

### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

202. What do you think of the assignments in this course?
203. What are your suggestions for improving the assignments in this course?

204. To what extent do the assignments challenge you?

205. Of what help are the assignments to you?

B. Check-List Illustrations

206. Challenging to students

207. Assigned papers evaluated to help me improve in my learning.

208. Assigned papers returned by teacher in a reasonable time.

209. Assigned papers not returned by teacher in a reasonable time.

210. Students should share more in planning the assignments.

211. Students should not share more in planning the assignments.

212. Too long

213. Too short

214. Too easy

215. Too difficult

216. Encourage wide range of voluntary reading

217. Too many written papers

218. Too few written papers

219. Too much required reading

220. Too little required reading

221. Dull

222. Routine

223. Often made late

224. Clear

225. Not clear

C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

226. How valuable are the assigned readings?

outstanding

almost always valuable

usually valuable

sometimes worth reading

a waste of time

227. Assignments:

always clear

occasionally clear

frequently not clear

- ## X. Testing, Evaluating, Marking

231. What do you like about the tests in this course?
232. What do you dislike about the tests in this course?
233. How would you recommend that the tests or testing procedures be improved?
234. To what extent do quizzes and tests help you to learn?

**Examinations:**

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- 249. On ideas that can be applied
- 250. On ideas that cannot be applied
- 251. Based too much on memory
- 252. Require thought
- 253. Used as bases for subsequent learning
- 254. Not used as bases for subsequent learning
- 255. Help in organizing concepts learned
- 256. Help in evaluating student progress
- 257. Help in developing critical thinking
- 258. Help in applying theoretical ideas to real problem situations
- 259. Help provide for review

Evaluation:

- 260. Fair
- 261. Unfair
- 262. Overemphasized
- 263. Underemphasized
- 264. Assists me in learning
- 265. Does not assist me in learning

C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

- |                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 266. Number of examinations:    |               |
| too few                         | about right   |
| too many                        |               |
| 267. Questions in examinations: |               |
| often ambiguous                 | usually clear |
| occasionally ambiguous          |               |
| 268. Examinations' length:      |               |
| about right                     | too short     |
| too long                        |               |
| 269. Examinations' difficulty:  |               |
| too elementary                  | about right   |
| too difficult                   |               |
| 270. Fairness in evaluation:    |               |
| very fair and objective         | unfair        |
| usually fair                    |               |

271. Evaluation of achievement:  
 students and instructor plan together to achieve course objectives  
 instructor gives course objectives  
 course objectives of no apparent concern to instructor
272. Use of the examination as a teaching device:  
 teacher helps individual student to understand strong and weak features of his examination results  
 exams returned with no plans for improvement formulated  
 teacher uses examinations infrequently to help in learning
273. Examination coverage of course content:  
 very thorough and complete  
 reasonably complete  
 average  
 somewhat inadequate coverage  
 very incomplete
274. Cheating on examinations:  
 rampant  
 infrequent  
 none of which I am aware
275. When I receive a grade in a quiz, examination, or paper, I feel that my instructor has given careful and impersonal consideration to all factors involved:  
 almost always  
 usually  
 infrequently  
 almost never
276. Timing of examinations:  
 too close to each other  
 all right  
 too much spread out

#### XI. Amount of Time and Work on Course

##### A. Open-Ended Illustrations

277. In relation to your other courses how much effort have you put into this course? Place any suggestions concerning homework here:
278. If you knew you would not receive a grade better than average, how would this affect your work in this course?

279. Do you feel that the time and work you spend on this course is worthwhile? Please explain.

280. Is the amount of time you spend studying for this course justified in terms of what you are learning?

B. Check-List Illustrations

281. The amount of work outside of class is about what I think it should be.

282. Requires more work than most other courses with similar credit.

283. Too much reading was expected.

284. Would profit more if the amount of recommended reading were decreased.

285. Would profit more if the amount of recommended reading were increased.

C. Rating-Scale Illustrations

286. Compared with other courses on this grade level and carrying an equal amount of credit, what amount of time have you put on study for this course?

more than any other  
more than average  
average

less than average  
less than any other

287. For my preparation and ability this course is:

too difficult  
about right

too elementary

288. In general, how often do you prepare for this course?

for every class meeting  
for most class meetings  
for occasional class meetings  
before quizzes and final examination only  
only for the final examination

289. Compared with other courses on this level and carrying an equal amount of credit, do you regard this course as being?

very hard  
hard  
average

easy  
very easy

290. I would say that in relation to my other courses the amount of written work is:

- much more than the usual amount
- somewhat more than usual
- average in amount
- somewhat less than the average
- much less than the usual amount

291. In relation to other courses, to what extent has this course motivated you to work for it?

- practically no motivation
- less motivation than others
- about average motivation
- more motivation in this course than others
- felt considerably more enthusiastic about working for this course than for others



### Chapter Three

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The relation between student rating of an instructor's teaching skill and "a popularity halo" is considered.